set back the process of reconciliation to which the secretary-general is committed, and could well trigger further repression by the occupying authorities against the defenseless population.

To the Japanese Government

We call on the Japanese Government to seek the immediate release of Xanana Gusmao and offer to provide him sanctuary in Japan. As the largest economic aid donor to the Suharto Government, Japan bears a heavy responsibility to vigorously strive for a peaceful settlement of the East Timor issue. In 1991 Xanana Gusmao himself called on Japan to "play a decisive role" in the solution of the issue, and pointed out that "dialogue" was the only solution. It behooves the Japanese Government to act to secure Mr. Gusmao's release as a necessary step in pursuing the path to a negotiated settlement.

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Dear Mr. Takahashi:

I enjoyed meeting with you when you were in New York a few weeks ago, and did put an article about the Darwin East Timor school in the ETAN "Network News" Newsletter. I will send you a copy by post

Here is a message for your November 12 event. I'm sorry I took so long to get it to you, but hope it will be satisfactory, and that the event goes well.

MESSAGE TO THE FREE EAST TIMOR JAPAN COALITION ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE SANTA CRUZ MASSACRE

From the East Timor Action Network/U.S.

12 November, 1992

Today, we reflect on the struggle of the East Timorese people for self-determination and recommit ourselves to support that struggle. As we gather in different countries, supporters of East Timor remember the 17-year occupation by the Indonesian government of that tiny country, the 200,000 people who have died as a result, and the 273 people gunned down a year ago today. But we also draw strength from the patience, persistence, and determination of the people of East Timor to control their own country, and pledge ourselves to continue and increase our work to support them.

In the United States, we are holding an interfaith memorial service at the United Nations in New York, a demonstration at the Indonesian Consulate in San Francisco, and a program in Los Angeles. The people of our two countries -- Japan as Jakarta's largest economic supporter and the United States as their major weapons supplier and diplomatic backer -- have a special responsibility.

Our thoughts today are with you in Japan and with people all over the world who are remembering East Timor. Together, we will make sure that East Timorese people are not only remembered in death, but that they can live a just, peaceful, and long life in their own country.

In Solidarity,

Charles Scheiner, coordinator
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東チモールに自由を！全国協議会

東ティモール抵抗運動の指導者、シャナナ・グスマォン（東ティモールの逮捕ティモール民族抵抗評議会議長、東ティモール民族解放軍司令官）報道についてのr」z6？声明

私たちは、１１月２０日、東ティモール抵抗運動の指導者、シャナナ・グスマォン議長が逮捕されたとの報道に接し、強い憂慮を表明する。グスマォン議長は、インドネシア軍当局の手に態あるいは処刑の危険性に直面しており、私たちは、事すべての関係者に対し、インドネシア政府がグスマォン議釈放し、外国への安全な逃避を許可するよう求めたい。

インドネシア政府に対して以下のことを求める。

シャナナ・グスマォン氏をただちに釈放すること。インドネシアはすでに１７年間におよび、不法な占領と数々の虐殺および文化的民族絶滅政策によって、東ティモール人に損害を与えてきた。そこがグ損害の修復にとって、抵抗運動のシンボル的指導者を抹殺する政府がは逆効果である。すでに国連の仲介によってインドネシア政府がスマォン議長と交渉に入るべきときが来ている。インドネシアうした行動をとれば、国際世論は賛辞を送るであろう。

国連事務総長に対し以下のことを求める。

シャナナ・グスマォン議長の釈放について交渉すること。ブトロス・ブトロス・ガリ国連事務総長は、国連総会決議３７／３０によって、東ティモール問題の包括的解決をめざしてすべての当事者と協議を行うことを委託されている。グスマォン議長は、東ティモール住民がもっとも敬愛し、信望をおいている彼らの指導者である。

東ティモール人の自決権を求める闘いは、きわめて正義にかなった闘いであり、グスマォン議長はすでに約１０年にわたりその闘いを指導してきたなかで、繰り返し交渉による問題の解決を訴えてきた。彼の投獄、あるいは処刑は、国連事務総長が取り組んできた和解のプロセスに大きな後退をもたらし、占領軍による無防備な住民に対するさらなる弾圧を引き起こす可能性がある。

日本政府に対し以下のことを求める。

シャナナ・グスマォン議長の即時釈放を求め、彼を日本において保護すること。スハルト政権に対する最大の経済援助国として、日本は東ティモール問題の平和的解決にむけ積極的な努力をする大きな責任を有している。１９９１年、グスマォン議長自身、日本に対

し、問題の解決にあたって「決定的な役割を果たす」よう求めており、しかも「対話」以外に解決はありえないと述べている。交渉による解決にむけた道を用意するにあたり、日本政府がグスマォン議長の釈放を保障することは、必要なステップであると考える。

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Statement by Free East Timor Japan Coalition
On Reported Capture of East Timorese Leader, Xanana Gusmao

We are deeply disturbed at reports of the capture of Xanana Gusmao, leader of the East Timorese resistance, on Nov. 20. Fearful that Mr. Gusmao will be tortured or executed by his Indonesian captors, we call on all parties concerned to urge the Indonesian Government to release him immediately and allow him to leave safely for a foreign country.

To the Indonesian Government

We call on the Indonesian Government to immediately release Xanana Gusmao. Indonesian cannot undo the damage of seventeen years of illegal occupation, massacres, and cultural genocide by eliminating the leader and symbol of the resistance. The time has come for Jakarta to enter into a serious dialogue with Xanana Gusmao under the auspices of the United Nations. World opinion would applaud such action.

To the United Nations Secretary-General

We call on Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Gali, mandated by General Assembly Resolution 37/30 to seek with all parties to the dispute a comprehensive settlement of the East Timor issue, to negotiate the release of Xanana Gusmao, the leader in whom the people of East Timor have placed their greatest respect and trust.

The struggle for self-determination by the East Timorese is an eminently just one, and Xanana Gusmao has lead the struggle for over a decade, during which time he has repeatedly called for a negotiated settlement to the conflict. His incarceration or liquidation would seriously